
The Erlton Community Association hosts monthly meetings every second Tuesday of the month at the Talisman Centre except for July and August. Meetings provide an opportunity for community members to receive updates on the status of projects from the ECA and bring any new issues to the attention of the community and executive.

Erlton Community Association

January/2016 Meeting Minutes

Jan 12: 7:00pm

Call to
Order

The December meeting of the Erlton Community Association (ECA) called to order at 7:07pm by Natalya Nicholson

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion to accept agenda as presented. Eric from Ward 9 added to the agenda. He will speak about Ward 9 initiatives.

2. Presentation of the Minutes

Motion to accept the December 2016 minutes as presented.

Motioned by Natalya. Seconded by Bonnie.

3. Guest Speakers – Part 1:

a) Eric from Ward 9:

- Community Objectives Workshops (COW): For Erlton/Rideau-Roxboro/Park Hill it's **Saturday Feb 20**
 - These COW are to facilitate community conferences.
 - Bring together stakeholders from across each community including residents, community associations, businesses, service providers, community leaders and community institutions for a day-long workshop to really dig into the challenges, opportunities and vision for the future.
 - Discussion to continue at following meeting
- 2016 Assessment notices out, any questions/concerns let them know
- Ward Community events fund to assist community associations or community-based groups hosting events or undertaking initiatives to enhance their community
 - Funds are available, apply online or call Theresa McManus at 403-268-8336

b) Iris Li, Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator at the City of Calgary:

- Jane's Walk and community cleanup funds available

c) Ron Buchan, Parks Community Strategist for Erlton at the City of Calgary:

- Erlton Park (25 Ave) work is complete
 - Resident question: there was a survey that went around – was it just the path that was created? For Erlton/Rideau-Roxboro/Park Hill it's **Saturday Feb 20 from 10am – 4pm**

- Natalya commented – the survey was a community association thing, still in progress, hasn't been forgotten
- Resident – who decides whether to put a non-natural thing in there (i.e. asphalt path)?
- Natalya – City was good in getting the park back to how it was before the flood. Plans to do further improvements to the park is ongoing and work is dependent on volunteers.
- Please join the parks committee for more input and help
- City had to work with DRP finances so they did what they could do
- Natural area protection in Lindsay Park
 - Urban conservation staff have been doing beaver wiring
 - Subsoil drainage in between Talisman and river, should be wrapped up this Spring
- Park – 'Forrest park' – entrance to pathway to Roxboro park (and off-leash dog park) from Erlton
 - Resident question - it's used as an off-leash area even though it's not officially
 - Ron – in general parks are not off-leash areas unless designated by signs.
 - Temporary signage can be installed as reminders.
 - People need to pick up after the dogs which they are not currently doing.
 - City does cut the grass however neighbours volunteer to provide additional grounds-keeping (grass-cutting, flower beds) to beautify the park for the community.
- Changes in lighting especially along the river – will be part of Traffic/Pedestrian strategy
- How do we improve the park in the areas where there are people doing drugs/encampments etc.?
 - Always need to call in those encampments to the City
- Coyotes – does the City cull them?
 - City hasn't culled coyotes in this area and Ron will inquire with Urban Conservation about the rabbits
- Ron confirmed that the park space at the top of the Erlton St. hill will be repaired when road work has been completed
- Natalya to send the list of issues to Ron

4. Information Items:

a) President's Report (Natalya):

- Erlton letter regarding an issue that went to council for Ramsay CA.

b) Vice-President (Krista):

- No report

c) Treasurer (Bonnie):

- FCC bill is \$288.75
- Insurance is \$1158 this year, down from last year

d) Directors' Reports

- i. **Membership (Danielle):**
 - No report
- ii. **Post-Flood Action Committee (Geoff):**
 - No report
- iii. **Parks Committee (Greg):**
 - River cleanup May 1. Denise Dixie has offered to organize the cleanup
 - Need volunteer to help with post-clean up refreshments
- iv. **Planning and Development Committee (Bill):**
 - DP (44 27 Ave SW) replace existing porch with new, larger porch
 - No ECA comment will be submitted
- v. **Traffic Committee (Rob):**
 - No report

5. New Business:

Event: Erlton Jane's Walk

- Susan Tyrrel – resident in North Erlton wants to organize Jane's Walk (date TBD May 6-8, 2016)
 - <http://janeswalk.org/canada/calgary/> Jane Jacobs – “To know a neighbourhood you need to walk it” Jane's Walks take place in over 100 cities in 139 different countries. In Calgary they are coordinated by the Calgary Foundation and they are hosting an organizational meeting on Tuesday, Feb 9th. Susan will be drafting a submission for an Erlton Jane's Walk before the end of March.

6. Guest Speakers – Part 2:

a) **Development discussion: 74 34 Ave SW (Owner: Tony Suche, Architect: Jeremy Sturgess):**

- Tony Suche – Invited to present his concept for a new home on his property. Presentation of the initial concept drawings by architect Jeremy Sturgess.
- Context about a potential relaxation for a front drive garage and feedback/discussion on drawings.
- Discussion to be carried forward once drawings obtained and circulated to membership.

b) **Feasibility Study Macleod Trail and 25 Ave South**

- Stephen Kay, City of Calgary Transportation Planning and Glen Holland, AECOM
“Can The City release the lands that have been bought (and additional land that will need to be bought) for the long term plan of an interchange at the intersection of Macleod Trail and 25 Avenue South?”

- City is seeking resident feedback to release lands. They have concepts for potential future configurations for pedestrian, road and train routes however there are only ideas at this point.

Meeting Adjourned

The January meeting of the Erlton Community Association (ECA) was adjourned at 9:18 pm by Natalya.

Erlton Community Association MEETING ATTENDANCE 12 January 2016		
NAME	MEMBER	AFFILIATION
TOTAL: 23	Members: 15	